

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Division of Early Childhood Education Out of School Time for Children form Limited English Proficient Asian, African, Latino and Other Newcomer Communities

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education, Division of Early Childhood Education (OSSE/ECE) is responsible for coordinating early childhood education services for District of Columbia children and their families. The OSSE/ECE intends to award multiple grants for out-of-school time services for children from limited English proficient Asian, African, Latino, and other Newcomer communities in the District of Columbia. The objective of the program is to increase the number of out-of-school time services for at-risk children from limited English proficient Asian, African, Latino, and other Newcomer communities in the District of Columbia who may have difficulty accessing out-of-school time programs due to language barriers.

Anticipated Number of Awards: one (1) or more grantees to increase the number of out-of-school time services for at-risk children from limited English proficient Asian, African, Latino, and other Newcomer communities.

Available Funding for Awards: Funds up to \$400,000.00 are available to support the grant awarded under this RFA. Funds are made available through the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Block Grant (100%) from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Administration for Children and Families (ACF).

Eligibility Criteria: Applicants are from organizations that can provide out-of-school time services to this select group of children. This includes licensed child care providers, not-for-profit organizations, faith-based organizations, and private and for-profit community-based agencies currently serving the needs of the target populations. Applicants must also be licensed to do business in the District of Columbia.

Important Dates: The Request for Applications (RFA) will be available on Thursday, July 29, 2010. Applications may be obtained from the Office of Partnerships and Grants Services website (www.opgs.dc.gov) at the District Grants Clearinghouse link. Applications may also be obtained from Ms. Sandra McIver, Grants Management Specialist for ECE, 717 14th Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Please call (202) 727-5045. The deadline for application submission is September 10, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. DST.

The Pre-Application Conference will be held on Thursday, August 19, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.at 717 14th Street, NW, 8th Floor Conference Room, Washington, DC 20005. For preparation purposes, interested parties planning to attend the Pre-Application Conference are requested to RSVP to Ms. Sandra McIver at (202) 727-5045 or sandra.mciver@dc.gov.